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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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1. claims: 1-15, 21-25

Independent claim 1 specifies an iterative decoder wherein a bit reliability is updated based on a comparison with a multi-valued adaptive threshold. Independent claim 21 specifies a transmitter, a network interface and a receiver comprising a decoder as specified in claim 1.

2. claims: 16-20

Independent claim 16 specifies a method comprising the method step of determining a first minimum and a second minimum of bit reliabilities stored in processing elements during a first iteration.

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